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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1–49 (Canceled).

50. (Currently Amended) A method of making a cover component mountable to an airbag system, the cover component having a tear line that is torn open when an airbag of the airbag system inflates, comprising:

providing a die having a core surface having a raised line formed on the core surface,
providing a moldable material,
molding said moldable material using said die so as to form a molded material having a recessed line corresponding to said raised line, the recessed line extending in a line and having a first end, a central portion with opposing sides, and a second end,
providing a laser, and
irradiating said molded material using said laser so as to bore a plurality of hollows in said recessed line along the central portion in said molded material at intervals, and
wherein a bottom of the recessed line at the first or second end of the recessed line is molded to form a sloped surface inclined relative to a back of the cover component, wherein the sloped surface is inclined in a longitudinal direction of the recessed line,
wherein the tear line extends in an H shape,
~~The method of claim 31,~~ wherein the H shape includes a central portion and legs extending from the central portion,
wherein the sloped surface is inclined in a longitudinal direction of the recessed line at ends of the legs of the H shape.

51. (Currently Amended) A method of manufacturing a cover component for an airbag system, the cover component having a tear line that is torn open when an airbag of the airbag system inflates, comprising:

forming a recessed line at least in a part of the tear line by using a raised line provided on a core surface of a die when the cover component is molded, the recessed line extending in a line and having a first end, a central portion with opposing sides, and a second end, and

boring hollows in the recessed line at intervals by laser processing,

wherein a bottom of the recessed line at the first or second end of the recessed line is molded to form a sloped surface inclined relative to a back of the cover component, wherein the sloped surface is inclined in a longitudinal direction of the recessed line,

wherein the tear line extends in an H shape,

~~The method of claim 47,~~ wherein the H shape includes a central portion and legs extending from the central portion,

wherein the sloped surface is inclined in a longitudinal direction of the recessed line at ends of the legs of the H shape.